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Lewis Ziegler's Esti-

mates Submitted to Councils.

Recommend Early Start on

Broad Street Subway and Re-

location of Sewers.

Action indicative of favorable

consideration of the proposition to make an early

start on the Broad street subway was

taken this afternoon by Councils' Survey

Committee. The committee reported

favorably to Councils an ordinance direct-

ing Director Taylor to enter into contract

for the relocation and reconstruction of

sewers in Buttonwood street from 15th

street to Broad, and in Thompson street

from 7th street westward.

The cost of the work is to be paid from

the \$100,000 balance of the \$300,000 item in

the \$1,300,000 loan appropriated for the

relocation of sewers.

The authority to relocate these sewers

was requested by Director Taylor in a

letter to Councils. He is authorized by

the ordinance to appoint assistants and

inspectors as required and to pay for the

expenses of boring, tests, transportation

and incidental out of the appropriation.

Councils Survey Committee also re-

ported favorably to the legislative bodies

the ordinance to authorize the construction

of the intercepting sewer along

Frankford Creek, with the necessary

grit chamber and other appurtenant

works. An item of \$400,000 is available

for the work in the \$4,225,000 council-

man's loan. The bill authorizes the

Director of the Department of Public

Works to advertise for bids and award

contracts for the work that will give

sanitary relief to the Frankford section.

Another bill reported favorably by the

Survey Committee authorizes the Board

of Surveyors to revise lines and grades

of streets in the section bounded by Rox-

borough street, Frankford Creek, Frank-

ford avenue, Erie avenue, Cayuga

street, N street, and to widen other

streets to provide for the construction of

the intercepting sewer.

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by the same committee directs the City

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HENRY BEACH NEEDHAM KILLED BY FALL FROM BIPLANE

LONDON, June 17.—A Paris dispatch this afternoon said that Henry Beach Needham, American magazine writer, was killed when a French military biplane in which he was a passenger, fell several hundred feet. Needham was 43 years old and was born at Castle, N. Y. In 1908 he was appointed a special commissioner by President Roosevelt to investigate housing and sanitary conditions at the Panama Canal.

THREE TURKISH TROOP SHIPS SUNK

ATHENS, June 17.—Three Turkish troop ships have been torpedoed at the Dardanelles by a British submarine. It is asserted in a dispatch from Tenedos. A majority of those on board the transports were killed. The Turkish ships were attacked in the Golden Horn, the harbor of Constantinople, by a submarine.

Most of the Turkish troops were drowned, according to later dispatches.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA JITNEY OWNERS UNITE

The Jitney Owners' Association of Philadelphia, having for its purpose the regulation of the traffic in South Philadelphia, was formed at a meeting at 14th and Shunk streets this afternoon. Rates were determined upon as follows: From City Hall to Shunk street, 5 cents; from Shunk street to League Island, 5 cents, and from City Hall to Point Breeze, 35 cents. There are 42 members of the association. J. P. Collman, 1421 Wolf street, is president. William Kelly, 2339 South 18th street, is treasurer and William Taylor, 3339 Carpenter street, is secretary.

VILLA'S ARMY EVACUATES AGUASCALIENTES

EL PASO, Tex., June 17.—The army under General Francisco Villa has evacuated the town of Aguascalientes and retreated northward to Zacatecas where Villa will make his first stand against the Obregon forces, according to confirmed reports received here this afternoon.

MEYER-GERHARD CONFERS AT LENGTH WITH JAGOW

BERLIN, June 17.—Dr. Anton Meyer-Gerhard, special envoy of Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to the United States, who arrived from New York last night, held a long conference with Foreign Minister von Jagow today.

SHOPPERS SEE BOY KILLED BY TRUCK

Hundreds of shoppers in Camden today saw a 10-year-old boy's life crushed out by the wheels of a heavy express truck. The boy killed was Joseph Walkovic, of 926 Mechanic street, Camden. The tragedy occurred at 16th street and Kaighn avenue. Accompanied by several playmates the boy was crossing the street. Several of his chums saw the truck which was being driven by Charles Evans, of Overbrook. They shouted to him to get out of the way. Before he had a chance to turn back he was knocked down. The four wheels passed over his body. Evans was arrested and held for a further hearing pending an investigation by the police.

AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE TORPEDOES UNDERSEA BOAT

ROME, June 17.—An Austrian submarine has torpedoed the Italian submarine Medusa, the Ministry of Marine announced this afternoon. This is the first time in naval history in which one submarine has attacked another. The Medusa was built in 1911 and displaced 241 tons. She had a speed on the surface of 13 knots and carried a crew of 17 men.

BOY'S IMPROMPTU ACT AT CIRCUS

An act not on the program happened at Gentry Brothers circus, Chelton avenue and Anderson streets, this afternoon, when six year-old Norman Shriver slipped from a top seat and rolled to the edge of the sawdust ring. Several persons tried to stop his descent, but were not quick enough to save him. The boy, who lives at 87 East Haines street, was slightly cut and bruised.

MAY SPEND TIN WEDDING BEHIND IRON BARS

Theodore F. Reitsinger's tin wedding anniversary will be celebrated behind bars of iron, tomorrow, unless he can raise \$600 bail before tonight. He was held under this amount for court today by Magistrate Beaton on a charge of bigamy. Reitsinger is 25 years old and lives at 2535 North Chadwick street. Two years ago tomorrow, the police say, he married Mrs. Alice Reitsinger, also 25, of Hightstown, N. J. Three months later they quarreled and he left her. A month ago, it is alleged, he eloped with Ethel Miller, 3540 North 6th street, to Elkton where they were married. Reitsinger and the second Mrs. Reitsinger were walking down Market street a few days ago when the alleged first wife appeared. The second bride brought suit. Reitsinger, the police say, told Magistrate Beaton he is going to get a divorce, but couldn't wait until that time to get married to his second wife.

CAUGHT AFTER CHASE OVER ROOFTOPS

Gun play and an exciting chase over several rooftops featured the arrest of Joseph Disposto, 24 years old, of 10th and Bainbridge streets, on a warrant charging him with stealing \$400 worth of diamonds from Anthony Beratti, of Ridley Park. Disposto was turned over to the Delaware County authorities by Magistrate Beaton.

GERMANS ADMIT LOSS OF SUBMARINE

BERLIN, June 17.—The Admiralty today officially admitted that the German submarine U-14 has been destroyed by the British and its crew taken prisoners.

SNAKE MAKES EARLY MORNING CALL; HOSTESS FAINTS

When Mrs. George Kruger, of 673 Fairview street, stepped out on her front porch she saw what she believed to be a new garden hose. Just the thing she needed. As she advanced to lift it from the mat on which it was nicely coiled, it raised its head, two beady eyes looked into Mrs. Kruger's eyes and a forked tongue was flung out menacingly. Mrs. Kruger screamed, fainted and went into hysterics. Policeman Orens shot the "hose." It was a wood snake, measuring six feet two inches.

DANIEL L. HUTCHINSON, 3D, SUED BY JEWELRY FIRM

Daniel L. Hutchinson, 3d, prominent society man, amateur boxer and a former football star at the University of Pennsylvania, today was named as a defendant in a suit instituted by J. E. Caldwell & Co., Jewelers, 9th and Chestnut streets, who seek to recover payment for a diamond ring. According to the firm, a ring was sold to Mr. Hutchinson for \$115 in the latter part of December, 1913. Besides seeking to recover the value of the ring, the firm asks that it be given interest on the principal. The suit was instituted in Court of Common Pleas No. 4. Mr. Hutchinson lives at 1837 Spruce street. He is a member of the Racquet Club and other social organizations. He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1912. On several occasions he has boxed with Philadelphia Jack O'Brien.

FRIEDMAN ACQUITTED OF GRAFT CHARGE

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., June 17.—Moses Friedman, former superintendent of the Carlisle Indian School, on trial in United States Court here on charges of graft, was acquitted today. Judge Witmer charged the jury against conviction. The accusation against Friedman, which followed his suspension from the school superintendency by Indian Commissioner Cato Sells, was based largely on statements made by J. Nori Orth at the Carlisle School, who yesterday pleaded guilty to the charge of embezzlement.

FIRST CONVICTION UNDER NEW ANTI-DRUG ACT

Charles Patterson, a Negro of 1837 Lombard street, is the first man to be convicted under the Harrison anti-narcotic act. He was found guilty today in United States District Court before Judge Dickinson. A motion for a new trial was made. Patterson was arrested in a raid by revenue agents and the police April 9.

THREATENED CUNARD LINE; SENT TO SING SING

NEW YORK, June 17.—For writing letters threatening to blow up steamships and pier of the Cunard Line if he was not given \$20,000, Frederick A. Stillwagon, of Winfield, L. I., this afternoon was sentenced to from 2 to 15 years in Sing Sing Prison. He had pleaded guilty. Stillwagon was arrested on June 5, just after he had posted a letter to the Cunard Company, which had received 14 similar letters, all in the same handwriting.

INDICT ALLEGED 'FAKE MOVIE' PROPRIETOR

Alexander Schaeffer, alleged proprietor of a fake moving-picture concern, was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury today, for using the mails to defraud. He had an office at 429 Walnut street and worked under the name of the Eastern Amusement Company. The District Attorney says Schaeffer advertised for actors, and then tried to induce them to buy stock in the company.

ASKS ESTRANGED WIFE'S PARDON; SLAYS SELF

Ernest Mueller, 49 years old of 2037 Orthodox street, after writing a letter to his wife, from whom he had been estranged for two months, committed suicide today by shooting himself in the right temple. The letter in which he pleaded for forgiveness was found near his body. In it Mueller speaks about "getting justice in his father's arms above." The rambling letter covered several pages. The body was discovered by neighbors who heard the shot.

POISON KILLS MAN AFTER THREE DAYS

Three days struggle against the effects of poison were ended today in St. Luke's Hospital, with the death of Linshart McMillin, of 1621 West Dauphin street, who swallowed three poison tablets by mistake on Sunday. He told physicians he had been looking for headache medicine.



The man whose image is being dropped is a hero of movie-romance.

MARINES SAIL TO AID AMERICANS IN MEXICO

HOWARD'S MEN WILL PROTECT COLONISTS FROM YAGUIS—No Invasion, Says Washington.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., June 17.—With a battery of rapid-firers and machine guns and plenty of ammunition aboard, the flagship Colorado, of the Pacific fleet, sailed from here today for Lobos Bay, Mexico, carrying 600 marines and bluejackets to protect Americans in the Yaqui valley.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Neither "intervention" in the Mexican situation nor "invasion" of Mexico is contemplated by the United States, nor can they be construed from the orders given Admiral Howard to take 600 marines and bluejackets into Mexico near Guaymas to rescue an American colony threatened by an uprising of Yaqui Indians, it was emphatically and officially declared by high officials today.

They stated that the orders to Howard should not and could not be regarded as indicating a change in the Administration's "hands-off" Mexican policy, or even as a short step toward armed intervention. It was pointed out that similar orders were given three weeks ago, when the Yaquis went on the warpath against the same colony of American and other foreign ranchers, but the revolt was the subdued by Mexican soldiers without the aid of American naval forces. At that time General Maxtorera, Villista commander, welcomed co-operation of the American forces, and promised to work with any marines who should be landed.

Admiral Howard was due to sail today from San Diego on the battleship Colorado, taking 300 marines from the San Diego barracks, for Lobos Bay, just south of Guaymas and only 24 miles from where the American colonists are being besieged by the Yaquis, who are about 400 strong and well armed. Some of the foreigners have been killed, according to official reports, but the Indians have raided several ranches and fired shots at the tenants.

As an indication that the American forces are only authorized to protect and rescue the foreigners threatened, it is noted that Howard's orders specifically state he shall, before sending troops inland, endeavor to hold friendly negotiations with the Yaquis, and in no circumstances shall any territory be occupied.

"We are offering asylum aboard our ships to such American settlers in the Yaqui Valley as wish to come out," Secretary Daniels said, "and we are offering them a guard, if one is required, for the journey to the coast. Most of these settlers were assisted in getting out about a year and a half ago, and they have since returned to the valley."

Admiral Howard is due to reach Guaymas Sunday night.

HERE'S A REAL AERIAL THRILLER FOR MOVIES

Balloon Ascent Furnishes Exciting Scene for All-comprehending Films.

SOLDIERS, rifles and a battery of artillery from New Jersey swarmed over the field at the U. G. I. plant this afternoon, at 2 o'clock, while the balloon Greater Philadelphia II, of the Philadelphia Aeronautical Society, carried Dr. Thomas Edwin Eldridge and two moving picture actors into the clouds and blew northeast over the city. A moving picture operator from Lubin's turned a crank industriously during the scene, and when the balloon was 200 feet up a struggle in the car was followed by the appearance of a figure clinging to the rim of the basket. Then the body shot downward to the earth.

It was a dummy. While Doctor Eldridge was trying out the Greater Philadelphia II and viewing the chances of trying for an altitude record, the Lubin actors seized the chance to portray the escape of a soldier. He ran into the balloon basket, followed by an enemy officer and both fell in over the rim as the balloon was lifted from the ground.

PHILLIES RALLY IN SIXTH AND SCORE

Wagner's single to right. Toney lined to Bancroft, who doubled Wagner at first. Griffith had no errors. No runs, two hits, no errors.

FOURTH INNING. Cravath singled to centre and went to second on Whitted's sacrifice grounder to Olsen. Niehoff fanned. Luderus was passed. Groh threw out Killefer. No runs, one hit, no errors.

Griffith whiffed. Herzog popped to Niehoff. Killefer smacked into a double. Bancroft to Luderus. No runs, no hits, no errors.

FIFTH INNING. Mayer was thrown out by Toney. Bancroft lofted to Leach. Byrne singled to left. Becker fanned. No runs, one hit, no errors.

Groh singled to left. Clarke sacrificed. Luderus to Niehoff. Olsen bunted to Bancroft, and kept on running while they chased Groh, both being tagged out. Bancroft to Byrne back to Bancroft. No runs, one hit, no errors.

SIXTH INNING. Groh threw out Cravath. Whitted salted down a single and stole second, scoring on Niehoff's hit through left. Niehoff was stopped. Toney to Herzog to Olsen. Luderus safe on Herzog's fumble. Killefer forced Luderus. Herzog to Wagner. One run, two hits, one error.

Wagner fouled to Killefer. Toney fanned. Leach fanned. No runs, no hits, no errors.

SEVENTH INNING. Mayer bunted to Wagner. Bancroft lofted to Herzog. Byrne flied to Killefer. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Griffith bled to Whitted. Herzog bunted to Luderus. Killefer doubled to centre. Groh fanned. No runs, one hit, no errors.

EIGHTH INNING. Becker sacrificed. Cravath bunted to Groh. Whitted bounced to Herzog. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Clarke singled to Niehoff. Olsen singled to left. Wingo batted for Wagner. Wingo singled to right. Cravath fumbled. Olsen scored. Wingo out. Cravath to Niehoff to Byrne. Toney bunted to Niehoff. One run, two hits, one error.

WHAT MAY HAPPEN IN BASEBALL TODAY

Table with columns for National League and American League, listing teams like Philadelphia, St. Louis, Boston, etc., and their records (W, L, Pct., Win, Loss, Split).

JITNEYS CAUSE BIG LOSS TO P. R. T.

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short rides. The jitneys, however, he said, are taking over these short rides, and leaving the P. R. T. with only the unprofitable long rides.

Edward T. Stotenburg, chairman of the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit, said that he did not reorganize the transit company for profit.

"I became interested in the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company not to make any money, but merely for the benefit of the citizens of Philadelphia," he said.

"The present management is doing its best, and is anxious to purchase new equipment, but with the competition of the street cars, the problem is extremely difficult. We wish at least competition on a fair basis."

The company, in its statement, said that the Philadelphia Rapid Transit property is assessed at \$164,923.77. "Out of this," it said, "the statement of minutes of \$24,555.813 it has paid in taxes to the city, State and nation of \$1,903,622.03, or more than 7 1/2 per cent of its gross receipts. It carries every day more than 1,200,000 passengers, and pays out every day in wages to its 10,750 employees, more than \$5,000,000.

"This property is now seriously threatened by a form of competition which represents no capital, pays no wages, owes no duties to the public, but which carries on its business in a way which is in fair weather, taking from the transit company, which must at all times bear the burden of the transportation problem, that portion of the business in which there is a profit, namely, the short ride."

The company asked that the zone system for jitneys be abolished and that a flat rate of fare be established; that the jitneys be forced to operate in bad weather; that the jitney owners and drivers be made as liable for damages as the P. R. T. Company is, and that the jitneys be taxed in the same proportion as the transit company.

The company says it is.

The company appended to its statement a list of fees and the amount of bonds charged jitneys in other cities.

Representatives of the motorman and conductors told the committee that they felt the reduction in wages if the jitney traffic continues to so seriously curtail the revenues of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit.

Thomas E. Mitten, president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit, said that the loss to the company is through the jitneys taking over the short runs. Robert Callahan, head of the Jitney Association, called the jitney owner's "conscienceless."

"The Jitney Association is doing everything to regulate them," he said, "and we are willing to be taxed to a fair extent."

The ordinance upon which the hearing was held was drafted in the Subcommittee on Law and reported, together with an almost identical ordinance regarding taxicabs, to the general committee this afternoon. The taxicab ordinance appeared before the subcommittee later and urged an increase in fares.

The committee took no action on either bill.

The license fee for each vehicle is placed at \$25 a year, and a liability bond of \$2000 is required for each vehicle. The fines for violation of rules and regulations governing the operation of taxicabs are placed at \$5 to \$12.50 for the first offense, from \$7.50 to \$25 for the second offense, and from \$12.50 to \$50 for subsequent offenses. The Director of the Department of Public Safety is granted the power to make all rules and regulations governing jitneys and taxicabs. Jitneys will be permitted to operate over any routes, without designating them.

The schedule of taxicab fares is as follows: For from one to four passengers, 50 cents for the first mile or fraction of a mile and 10 cents for each additional quarter of a mile. Five passengers for charging more than \$1.50 for the first hour and \$4 for each additional hour. Seven passengers for charging more than \$2.00 for the first hour and \$4 for each additional hour.

Two weeks ago a Jitney ordinance, providing for the same standards and fees for violation of regulations, that were twice the amount of those provided for in the ordinance reported today, was adopted by the subcommittee. A taxicab ordinance, which did not provide for a schedule of fares, was introduced in Councils, but was apparently forgotten.

Kill Horses to Check Glanders

Within the past week a number of stables throughout the city have been closed as a result of a quarantine declared by the State Live Stock and Sanitary Board, and several animals in the city have been killed, owing to an outbreak of glanders.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCILS

TENTATIVE PLAN FOR ORGANIZING HOUSING DIVISION APPROVED

Finance Committee Passes Favorably on Dr. S. Lewis Ziegler's Estimates Submitted to Councils.

A tentative plan of organization for the new Division of Housing and Sanitation, created by the compromise housing bill passed by the last Legislature, was submitted to Councils today by Director Ziegler, of the Department of Health and Charities, and was approved by the Finance Committee. It provided for the appointment of 115 employees July 1, and of 27 additional employees October 1 of this year. An appropriation of \$53,181.75 was asked for the enforcement of the new law from July 1 to January 1 next.

The Director first requested that provision be made for 142 employees, but in a letter sent to the Mayor he said this had been modified in an agreement made with Chairman Condit, of the Finance Committee, at the request of Governor Brumbaugh. He also said in the letter that the Governor signed the compromise bill only after he had received a copy of the agreement.

The only executive position provided for is that of chief of the division. This position, which pays \$3500 a year, is specifically provided for in the new law.

The positions of assistant chief of the division and the supervising inspectors of tenement houses and sewer drainage are abolished. The supervising inspector of sanitation is retained.

The staff of district supervisors is increased from one to four. The positions of registrar at \$200